

Docket No. 87304.1980
Customer No. 30734



PATENT

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled GAS REMOVER APPARATUS AND METHOD, the specification of which was filed on 31 October 2003, as Application Serial No. 10/697,950.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known to me to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):			Priority Claimed	
<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Day/Month/Year filed</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 USC Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Prior Provisional Application(s):	
<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Prior U. S. Application(s):		
<u>Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status: Patented, Pending, Abandoned</u>

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

AND Assignor requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any Letters Patent of the United States which may be issued for said invention to said Assignee, its legal representatives, successors or assigns, as the sole owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to said patent and the invention covered thereby.

4/1/04
Date

Thomas M. Golner
Thomas M. Golner

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
COUNTY OF WAUKESHA) SS:

On this 1st day of April, 200⁴, before me personally appeared Thomas M. Golner to me known to be the persons named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



Debra A. Lathrop
Notary Public

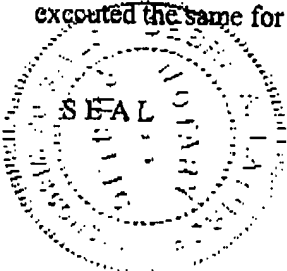
My commission expires 2-13-05

4/1/04
Date

Peter C. Michel
Peter C. Michel

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
COUNTY OF Waukesha) SS:

On this 1st day of April, 200⁴, before me personally appeared Peter C. Michel to me known to be the persons named in and who executed the above instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.



Debra A. Lathrop
Notary Public

My commission expires 2-13-05

(NOTE: Legalization is not required for recording, but is *prima facie* evidence of execution under 35 U.S.C. 261).